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ern to and subscribed before me this J. F. FARIBH. Notary Public, City of St. Louis, Me. My term expires April 26, 1801.

BUSINESS GAINS.

St. Louis banks in the Clearing-hous have made substantial and gratifying increases in their resources during the latter part of December, January and the early part of February.

The statement of the Associated Banks, compiled from the information furnished in response to the demand of the Comptroller of the Currency on February 5, shows that the total resources of the twenty-one banks in the Clearing-house are \$167,381,415, as compared with \$156,698,408 on December 13, 1900. This is a gain of \$10,683,007 for the forty-two days between the two reports. The greatest share of this increase has been in deposits, where a gain of \$9,619,375

Gains made by the trust companies are not included in the statement. Doubtless the same relative increase would be shown there. The gains have been steady. There have been no unusual activities beyond the natural ex-

NO CASTE-LINE GOES.

It will be quite generally felt that Admiral Dewey's attitude in the matter of the promotion to commissioned rank of warrant officers in the American Navy who have gallantly earned promotion is far more congenial to the American spirit than is the caste-line drawn by Admiral Sampson.

Says Admiral Dewey: "If we are to have a great American Navy, we must be in touch with the American people So there must be given an opportunity for men to rise from the ranks." Admiral Sampson contends, on the other hand, that warrant officers should not be promoted to commissioned rank because "they are recruited from a class of men who have not had the social advantages that are a requisite for the commissioned officer."

There will not be much discussion of the incident of Admiral Sampson's official objection to the promotion of Gunner Charles Morgan-and what little there is will deepen the condemnation of Sampson already so generally ex-The Dewey idea is the Ameri can idea. The Sampson idea is the European idea. It does not prevail in the American Army, and it must not prevail in the American Navy. The man whose service to Old Glory on the seas entitles him to commissioned rank under Old Glory must receive his deserts.

SOME GOOD POINTS. Democratic legislators have shown a readiness to meet any well-founded sug- members of the Jefferson Club or engage gestions for improvement of the election in conferences with them anywhere. As law of St. Louis. Judge Fisse's argu- a news fact it announced the next day ment before the two elections committees Monday was the more pleasantly received since the majority members had already agreed upon those amendments upon which he dwelt with greatest emphasis.

Democrats at Jefferson City understand that election laws are not subjects action of the Democratic leaders. for partisan wrangling. Whatever there was of good in Judge Fiese's argument | party pursued precisely the course which should be as respectfully considered as it attributes to The Republic. It, went if it came from the Governor of Mis- into a combine with Ziegenhein and the that the law of 1895 was better than part of numerous star chamber conferthat of 1890 they should re-enact that measure with improvements suggested could in making up a ticket which was ticket. see where the abolition of a central registration office or a change in the de of appointing commi sential differences between the two laws. | confabs. However, there would be no great loss if the law of 1805, with needed changes,

were again adopted.

Two points made by Judge Fisse de serve attention. If the penalties pro-vided for election officers who commit frauds are not sufficient, in the general

THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC plain that the present law should pro- up, fast and sure, with the lowest elevide for semoval of judges and clerks | ments of the machine. found unfit for their duties. As the law

without criminal proceedings. By both Democrats and Republicans the subject should be approached dis- do. Neither Mr. Wells nor any other inpassionately. What the people demand dividual was suggested to the Demois the best possible law and, what is cratic leaders by The Republic. The Remore important, the best possible elec- public was not interested in individuals. tion officials, from commissioner to It reserved, and was always ready to clerk.

POLICE EFFICIENCY. Now that the new Police Board has that regardless of party. effected its organization under conditions more favorable than have hereto-

the police force, exactly the same sys- publican nominee he can count on the Entered at the Post Office in St. Louis, Mo., as tem must be followed that prevails, in Globe's support. In fact, he would get military organization. The police force exceptionally energetic support, for the of a great city is, primarily, a military body. It is closely similar to a regilike Zachritz and do a little trading in ment in its formation, the Chief of the minor spoils of office. Police corresponding to the Colonel, the Assistant Chief to the Lieutenant

Colonel, the police subdivisions, as the companies composing a regiment, being under command of Captains and Lieutenants responsible to the Chief, with noncommissioned officers responsible to company or subdivision commanders. The authority of a Colonel is the regiment's supreme authority. The authori- United States is placed at about 114,000.

ty of a Chief of Police must be supreme if the police force is to be made effective for its legitimate purposes. He answers for his service to the Police Board, and it is through him exclusively that the Police Board should exercise supervision of the force. Every interference with the Chief, every act that ignores him in bearing upon any member of his command, tends inevitably to weaken his influence with his subordinates, and, in exact proportion, to impair the discipline of the police organization. This fact has been so plainly demonstrated locally that there should be no necessity for dwelling upon it.

It is to be hoped that the Chief of Police under the new board will enjoy both the power and the responsibility legitimately attaching to his rank. Through him should come the reward or the punishment of his subordinates. From him should come the discipline and effective training of the force. Upon him should fall the praise or the blame for police excellence or police demerit. Any other system than this will fail in bringing the force up to the proper standard. The people of St. Louis demand a good police force. A good Chief is the first necessity.

"TWIXT BOLT AND CAUCUS. At the Republican nominating primaries to be held next Tuesday it will be a bit difficult for voters to figure out just where they have a free choice in the matter of voting for the candidate whom they would prefer to nominate. Ostensibly, the Republican primaries are open, but in reality the game has been so arranged by the caucus which nominated the George W. Parker ticket that the people have no voice whatever in the matter of selecting a Mayoralty nominee. They must either vote fo Parker or bolt to the objectionable Zachritz-a most unsatisfactory situa tion and an extremely limited field of

If the caucus could have fully had its way, not, even Zachritz would now be in the field against the slate. All the pressure possible to the caucus was the race. He proved unexpectedly stubborn, however, owing to his personal be lief that the Ziegenhein push would raily to his support at the polls, and thus it is that he has somewhat disorganized the caucus plans. It is Parker against Zachritz-and the caucus intended that it should be Parker alone, with no chance for the fickle people to vote for anybody but Parker.

It will be interesting to note the results of the "open" Republican nomi nating primaries next Tuesday. Will it be a ratification of the Silk Stocking slate or an indorsement of Ziegenheinism through Zachritz? The fact that Republican leaders themselves are too bewildered to venture an answer to this pertinent query adds relish to the situa-

COMBINE CRONIES.

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When The Republic sought a candidate for Mayor it went to a few prominent members of the Jefferson Club a month ahead of the Democratic primaries and used its front page the next morning (Japuary 10) to blazon forth the announcement that the nomination for Mayor was settled. It spoke in the most positive terms of the nomination of Mr. Wells as a fact accomplished, rightly assuming that the Jefferson Club, with 1,300 members on the police pay roll, would reduce the party primaries and convention to a mere formality. It is quite natural that a newspaper engaged in star chamber operations of this kind should look upon any genuine transactions with the people themselves as an innovation to be feared and denounced.—Globe-Democrat.

If angels do weep over the immoralities of mankind they wept yesterday to

ties of mankind they wept yesterday to see falsehood, hypocrisy and evil citizen ship concentrated in this delivery of the Globe-Democrat.

The Republic had no part whatever in the selection of Mr. Wells, beyond steadfast insistence that a man repre senting the highest elements of citizenship should be nominated by the Democratic party. It did not go to prominent that leaders representing the different sections of the party had decided to unite on Mr. Wells. It was gratified because Mr. Wells stood for the principles of the reform movement. When that much is said all is said concerning the connection of The Republic with the

But the Globe-Democrat in its own souri. If the legislators honestly believe Republican City Committee. It was ences and helped as industriously as i publican voters. It was tickled by the of the machine, and joyfully sat cheek be done without assistance from the would be a benefit. Those are the es- by jowl with Ziegenhein at many secret lobby.

Ziegenhein may have fooled the Globe Democrat. That was not hard to do, the Globe being somewhat "easy" in the slate ticket is too deep for utterance. been playing for the past few years. But the immorality of its cheerful idiocy is the same. If it is compelled later by

The Republic is tied up with nothing stands, such officials cannot be removed but its own principles. It made no without criminal proceedings. bound by anything other persons might exercise, the right of supporting the candidate who should represent the good government side in this campaign; and

Star chamber operations, in "cahoots" with machine politicians, are the partic fore prevailed it may fairly be expected ular vanity and delight of the Globe that an improvement in the discipline Democrat. Ziegenhein and the Globe and service of the force will promptly Democrat are natural allies. They are two of a plotting kind who naturally To attain the necessary discipline in come together. If Zachritz is the Re-Globe dearly loves to crony with a man

NATIONAL GUARDS.

With some of the best material for militia, Missouri occupies one of the lowest positions in the list of civilian soldier organizations. According to a recent report issued by

the War Department, the aggregate strength of the National Guard of the An even 100,000 are infantrymen, 5,000 cavalrymen and the remainder belong to the batteries, the general staff and other branches of the service.

Missouri has about 2,500 enlisted militia. New York has the largest force, 14,000. Pennsylvania is second with 10,000, Illinois third with 7,000 and Ohio fourth with 6,000. California has 3,000 and Michigan, Texas and Wisconsin about the same number. Georgia has 3,500, New Jersey 4,000 and Massachusetts 5,000. Although the last named seven States have a smaller population than Missouri, each has a larger body of militia.

There is a reason for the poor showing which Missouri makes in its National Guard. The last Legislature appropriated but \$10,000 for the militia. The larger part of this sum was spent last year for the encampment at Springfield. Young men who enlist in the service in this State do so at the loss of time and against every discouragement which lack of money imposes.

The appeal for funds now issued by the Provident Association deserves a generous response from the community. The association is now in need, owing to a mistaken conception on the part of many regular contributors that the very mild winter has greatly lessened the demands upon its resources, a belief which has led to the withholding of many contributions otherwise certain.

Mayor Ziegenhein has given out a statement for the benefit of those who "positively know" that he will support Zachritz. The idea that any one can be positive of what the Mayor will do five minutes before he performs is amusing

might ride and tip the porter beside.

Lobby trickery should not now be able to prevent the passage of an adequate franchise-taxation law by the State Leg-Islature, acting under orders from the people of Missouri.

It will be incorporated as the United States Consolidated Steel Company, with a capitalization of \$1,100,000,000but its really-truly name will continue to be the Steel Trust.

To the St. Nicholas candidate for Mayor: A "shake-down" is known among politicians as the process whereby certain persons "live easy" off other men's ambitions.

Should the heptonical push" vote solid for Zachritz next Tuesday one of the saddest sounds at sunset will be the ostentatious breaking of Boss Ziegenhein's beart. To shield the Sugar Trust from a

\$340,000 competitor, the administration endangers American exports to the tune of \$30,000,000. Such is syndicate favoritism. Mr. Tinker is reported to be undecided as to whether he should run for Mayor.

A general opinion is current that the Democratic primaries decided that ques-Some persons will be just maliciou enough to say that Mrs. Nation, as a

newspaper editor, has merely exchanged the hatchet for the shears. It'll be like reaching the blissful side

of Jordan when the vote is tallied that announces the enactment into law of the World's Fair bill. Maybe a Steering Committee is the

very thing to guide the State Legis-

lature through the stormy waters of a

session's close. Little Cuba's unfortunate inclination to quarrel with her best friend is to be sincerely deplored-solely on little Cuba's account.

There are grounds for a suspicion that the Globe-Democrat's municipal rooster is being fed on taffy to fatten him for At the Republican "open" primarier

voting for a close-corporation slate There's a raft of work still to be done small flattery of being called in as part by the State Legislature—but it can best

the people will enjoy the privilege of

Somehow, it appears that the Ziegenhein gang's enthusiasm for the Parker

Uncle Sam is patient, like all strong people, but little Cuba is putting his patience to a dangerously severe test.

is the same. If it is compened inter by live of the State and the law of 1899, Ziegenhein to support Zachritz, there is not much merit in the attack it made the gang—Parker and Zachritz—at next on Zachrits a few days ago. It is tied Tuesday's Republican primaries.

## ASSEMBLY TANGLED OVER GERRYMANDER.

Joint Session of Republican Steering Committees Resulted in Discord Over Both Maps.

SHERMAN'S FIRM ATTITUDE.

Says No Regular Business Until the Problem Is Settled-Effort to Amend the Constitution.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Springfield, Ill., Feb. 26.—The Republicans of the Illinois General Assembly are in an awful tangle over their gerrymanders. The House and Senate Republican Steer-

afternoon and agreed to disagree on both apportionments. The House decided to hold senatorial maps and push both of them through, and if the Senate amended them the differences might be reconciled in cau-

The Senate and House congressional chemers met in the afternoon and agreed to switch Franklin back to Smith's district and attach Monroe to Rodenberg's. Adams County, with Schuyler, Fulton, Knox and Henry, was made into a district, indicating a slight change, and then Rock Island was given to Congressman Marsh. There will probably be no more changes in the congressional map.

gressional map.

The House Committee on Senatorial Apportionment adopted the report of the subcomittee. The report was not adopted without strong objection. Representative Trautmann was one of the strongest objectors. He contended that St. Clair should be left alone without Monroe. He says it is He contended that St. Clair should be left alone without Monroe. He says it is now nearer the required population for a district than it was ten years ago or thirty years ago, when the apportionment was made, and that standing alone since the Democratic apportionment it has never falled to elect every nominee for General Assembly placed upon the Republican ticket and has been carried for the head of the Republican ticket three times out of five during the same period. His contenof five during the same period. His conten-tions availed him nothing. His motion to divorce St. Clair and Monroe was tabled.

bers tegan leaving the committee-room, when Chairman Bundy called on them to remain, as their votes would be needed, he said, in the procedings of the committee. They did not show an inclination to obey, and Mr. Bundy appointed Representative Christian doorkeeper and instructed him not to permit any member of the commitnot to permit any member of the commit-tee to leave the room without permission from the chair.

Wheeler's Map Tabled. Representative Wheeler presented a map which made general changes, but it was ta-

led-19 to 6 bled—15 to 4.

Representative Crawford of Pike objected to having Pike and Scott, with 4,350 Republican votes, placed with Adams, with 8,000 Republican votes, contending that it meant the disfranchisement of the Pike and Scott the disfranchisement of the Pike and Scott Republicans, as Adams would control every convention. He had a plan embracing many counties in the western part of the State which he thought would remedy this evil, but, like the others, it falled of adoption. Representative Walter made objections, but that most the same fall.

Representative Waiter made objections, but they met the same fate.

Mr. Connors of Cumberland objected to being placed with Fayette, Christian and Shelby, and asked that the county be placed with Bouglas, Coles and Clark, and in support of this he said that Christian, Fayette and Shelby have a population of \$3,000 and that the district east of it, as he asked to have it rearranged, would have but \$4,000.

Mr. Purdunn favored this propisition, and Mr. Burgett of Douglas opposed it.

In the course of his remarks, Burgett chartered for \$50 a day, according to a circular issued by the company. If wishes were coaches a college professor addition of Cumberland. This met with a me addition of Cumberland. This met with a hot retort from Connors, who insisted that he was as good a Republican as any man in the room. This amendment lacked but

in the room. This amendment lacked but one vote of adoption—9 years to 10 nays.

Mr. Abbott then moved to adopt the report of the subcommittee, and Mr. Wilson (Dem.) asked for roll call. Chairman Bundis of the committee has always insisted that a member of the committee has no right to demand a roll call in the committee, and that roll calls there are entirely out of order. Democrats and Republicans joined in the request for roll call, and it was finally conceded. The result was 20 ayes to 7 nays, being a strict party vote with the exception of Representative Craw-

with the exception of Representative Crawford of Pike, a Republican, who voted nay.

Gloomy Caucus.

This map of the House Republicans is so bitterly opposed by the Senators that it stands no show of passing in its present form. The House caucus to-night was a

Barnes, Curtis, Drew, Jones of Sangamon, Neese and Wheeler from the country, the Lorimer contingent from Chicago, consist-ing of nine, and Beltier of Chicago, who It is understood that, excepting Curtis

It is understood that, excepting Curtis and Beitler, all the absentees would not be bound by caucus ection.

Mr. Trautmann offered a resolution providing that Monroe be detached from St. Clair and that Monroe be attached to the Randolph District and that Perry County be detached from the Randolph District and attached to the Wayne County District. This was lost as was every aments. trict. This was lost, as was every amend

gressional maps, amended as above, were then adopted by a viva voce vote, with many negative votes. Speaker Sherman says he will appoint no more committees, and that he will keep the House in session "until it dies of inantition" or passes the apportionment bills.

There were no important developments in the Bollings-Allen contested election case. The recount of ballots proceeded without change from the official count.

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Governor Yates sent to the Senate this morning a message announcing the appointment of William Jayne of Springfield to succeed R. D. Lawrence, deceased, as a member of the State Board of Charities. He also announced the appointment of General James S. Martin of Salem to succeed A. C. Brookings of Disquoin as a true-

General James S. Martin of Salem to succeed A. C. Brookings of Duquoin as a trustee of the Carbondale Normal.

A large number of petitions protesting against the passage of the proposed amendments of the State game law were presented by Senators McKenzle, Hunt, Davidson, Alden and Stringer.

Senate Bills Passed.

The Senate passed the following bills:
The municipal committee bill in relation to disconnection of territory from cities and villages, which provides that territory shall be disconnected only in the discretion of the City Council or village trustees. When territory is disconnected it will not be exempted from taxation for the purpose of paying indebtedness contracted while it was within the city limits.

## MISS BABCOCK HONORED ... WITH A RECEPTION-NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Jere B. Moberly, No. 519
Kensington avenue, entertained informally
hast evening for their young Sedalia guest,
Miss Besste Babcock, who has spent several weeks in St. Louis this winter. The
Moberly residence was tastefully arranged
with many flowers and palms, plak roses
and white Roman hyacinths being used in
the pariot, and the dining-room, where
chocolate, frappe and various light refreshments were served, being done also in pink, ments were served, being done also in pink, the table having a center-piece of day-break carnations, fringed with hyecinths and ferns.

Mrs. Moberly received in a gown of black

dotted mousseline with guimpe of cloth-of-gold and black chenille dots. Miss Babcock were pale blue peau de sole and blue chif-fon. Miss Thomas and Mise Florence

fon. Miss.
Thomas served.
About forty guests were present, some of them being:
Messleurs and Mesdames—
E. J. Adams. Theodore Smith. E. J. Adams, C. O. Ransdell, Misses—

Frances Gibson, Mabel Jones, Messieurs— Morrison Moberly, Fred Franklin. Mrs. Moberly will entertain with a large evening card party within the next fort-

R. Park von Wedelstaedt will go to Hot Springs for his annual visit on Saturday

Mrs. A. D. Chappell, No. 4118 Washington boulevard, was called to the South on Mon-day by the news of her sister's sudden eath in Texas. St. Louis musicians, enpecially those belonging to the Morning Choral, well remember the young lady, Miss Frances Reed, who has spent much of her time in town and was always identified with music matters; since she possessed a fine voice and sang considerably. A year ago Miss Reed went to Europe hoping to benefit her health, returning on the same steamer with the Taussig family early in the autumn. Her death occurred after only a few hours' illness, and has proven a great shock to her many St. Louis ac-

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Drummond have a party of friends with them on board their yacht, "Sapphire," off Palm Beach, Fla.

Mrs. F. R. Parsons is at Hot Springs re-

Miss Marie Peugnet is visiting in Norfolk, Va. She will go to Washington for the in-auguration and will be joined there later in March by her father, Colonel Ernest Peugnet and his bride. The marriage of Colonel Peugnet and Miss Louise Greenleaf will take place on Thursday, March 14.

A tea for the benefit of the Baptist Or-phans' Home will be given on March 2 from 2 to 5 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Desmoyer, No. 6275 Washington boule-

The Misses Donnelly gave a euchre last evening at their South Side home. Prizes of silver and cut glass were given to the successful players. Among the guests were: Anna Fitzpatrick, Agnes Fitzpatrick,

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. H. Smith of Washing-ton boulevard entertained at dinner last evening for their guest, Miss Johnson of

Mrs. Albert A. Stoll, No. 3423 Henrietta street, entertained on Monday afternoon in celebration of her birthday. An informal "coffee" was the form of festivity, gentlemen as well as ladies being invited late in the afternoon. Among the guests were:

Messieurs and Mesdames—
A. E. Stoll,
Edward Karst,
Misses—
Clara Stoll,
Ida Fenton,
Mesdames—
Mesdames—

motion of Senator Pemberton it was re-ferred to the Committee on Judiciary. Bills Introduced.

ment of a copy editor at \$2,000, per annum and a bookkeeper at \$1,000 per annum. In the House bills were introduced as follows: Edwards: To provide for the appointment of a State Vegetable and Fruit Commission-er at a salary of \$1,500. He may employ ten

er at a salary of \$1,500. He may employ ten inspectors at \$3 and expenses, and shall have the right to inspect all fruit and vege-tables packed for shipment. Loy: To provide that incorporated insti-tutions of learning shall make annual re-ports to the Secretary of State in the same

manner as other corporations.

Montellus: To increase the powers of railroad companies in respect to consolidation road companies in respect to consolidation and purchase.

Pendarvis: No defendant in a personal injury suit shall consummate a settlement with the plaintiff without consent of the plaintiff's attorney; that no order shall be entered by the court upon any stipulation with the plaintiff without consent of his attorney, and defendant shall be liable to the attorney for the plaintiff for damages if he shall make any such settlement of a

Rankin of Warren: To make a deficiency appropriation of \$1.100 to the Supreme Court.

Samuelson: To provide that municipalities

Samuelson: To provide that municipalities may construct and maintain electric light and gas plants. The bill applies to citiea incorporated towns and villages of 20,00 or less inhabitants.

Smith of Cook: To prevent corrupt practices at elections. The bill provides that no candidate for Congress or for any public office created by the Constitution or laws of this State to be filled by popular election shall by himself, or agent, or agents, committee, or organization, or person or persons whatsoever, in the aggregate, pay out, give, contribute or expend, or offer, or agree to pay, give, contribute, any money out, give, contribute or expend, or offer, or agree to pay, give, contribute, any money or other valuable in order to secure, or aid in securing, his nemination or election, or both such nomination and election, or to secure, or aid in securing, or to defeat, or to aid in defeating, the nomination or election, or both the nomination and election, of any other person or persons to be voted for on the day of the same election, or in support of or opposition to any measure or proposition submitted to popular vote, in excess of a sum to be determined on the following basis: For 5,000 voters or less, 150; for each 100 voters over 25,000 and under 50,000, \$1.50; for each 100 voters over 25,000 and under 50,000, \$1 and for each 100 voters over 5,000 over 50,000, \$0 cents.

over 50,000, 50 cents.

To Regulate Corporations. Smith of Franklin: Providing that Mas-ters in Chancery shall be licensed attor-W. Sullivan: For the regulation of cor-

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Trautman: To provide that installmen



Sedalla, who was the hono guest at Mrs. J. B. Moberly's reception last evening.

Boaton. Their guests were the Misses Allen, Austin, Tyrell, Johnson; the Messrs, Wat-son, Johnson, Mariatt, Terry and McLaf-lin.

Miss L. Abrams of No. 3210 West Belle evenue is visiting friends in San Antonio,

euchre club on Monday at her residence in Olive street. Mmes, Alexander and Coleman and W. A. Stern were the prize winners. The guests included:

eurs and Mesdames-McFarland,

Miss Lille Green of Cuba, Mo., is the ruest of Miss Elizabeth Batte, No. 425 Fin-

ment of the following Committee on Misellaneous Affairs: Skaggs, chairman; Mueller, Kettering, Edwards, McCulloch, Bundy, Kopf, Schla-genhauf, Chamberlin, Beem, Shurtleff, Farrell, Purdunn, Doyle, Shay, O'Meara, Crafts, Wall and Buckley.

To Amend State Constitution. Mr. Crafts offered a joint resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Revenue, which proposes to submit to the voters at the next election a proposition to amend the

which shall read as follows:

"Section 14. The General Assembly shall abolish the State Board of Equalization and shall provide by law for relsing the revenue required to be raised by taxation for State hands with him and gave him words of the state lilinois came by the state of the state lilinois was taken and while lying on a cot in the hospita war Governor of Illinois came by the state of the state lilinois came by the state of the state lilinois came by the state of the state lilinois was taken and while lying on a cot in the hospita war governor of Illinois came by the state lilinois came by the state lil purposes, by apportioning the same to the

districts," as used in this section, "Tax districts," as used in this section, mean a political subdivision of the State having a board of assessors or an assessor or officer authorized to assess property therein for taxation for State, county, city, village, school, highway or any other purpose whatever, or having an officer or officers authorized to sign warrants for the collection of taxes.

officers authorized to sign warrants for the collection of taxes.

"Gross revenue," as used in this section, means the total sum of money received in any tax district for public purposes and the value at the rate of computation allowed by law for work performed in the tax district for public purposes without compensation under the requirement of the law. But it does not include assessments for local improvements, money borrowed, money received as interest on any obligation of the tax districts or a part thereof, or held in trust for it by any board or officer, or so much of the revenue from sales to private users of water, gas, electricity or other industrial service as represents the cost thereof.

"The General Assembly may by law provide for local option in taxation in each

all taxation shall be uniform as to the class of property and persons against which it is levied."

Many Capital Visitors. Judge Duncan of Marion, Postmaster Lau-der of Carterville and Bert Burr, factotums of Congressman Smith, came up to get an-other Republican county added to the Smith district. They begged for Saline, Washingdistrict. They begged for Saline, Washington, Massac and even Johnson, Chapman's county. Inasmuch as the Egyptian apportionments are products of Chapman's skill, the request for his own county gave him a stroke of paralysis. The Smith committee did not succeed, and Judge Duncan claimed a little satisfaction by denouncing Senator Burnett as "a traitor" to something or somebody.

The Franklin County knockers bebbed up serenely to-day. R. D. Kirkpatrick, Ed to-H. L. Frier and William P. Asa compo ed the party. They merely wanted to know whether Judge Dillon was going to be given a job soon.

J. R. Davis, Postmaster Kreider, T. B. J. R. Davis, Postmaster Kreider, T. B. Orear and a carload of Jacksonville friends of Superintendent Winslow of the Hospital for the Insane swooped down on Governor Yates this forenoon. They wanted the Governor to understand that Winslow was of good report and well recommended. Winslow is about the cleanest and best-qualified of the Tanner officers, and probably will hold on for another four years.

John D. Geriach of Chester piloted a job lot of Randolph County politicians to the Governor's presence in his interest as a candidate for Commissioner of the Chester Prison. The party was herded around one of the big piliars in the Leiand after supper at a restaurant. Louis Gilster was the only reality distinguished member of the party, and he was principally notable for his plug hat of the Tilden era, which was rakishly poised on his left ear. Captain Neville, Theodore Saxenmeyer and Robert and Thomas Gant made up the party.

"Ves" McGuire of Sparta, who is Representative Brown a can litate for the place, had a pleasant inning with Governor Tales this forencen. The other was the son of the Honorable A. H. The state of the Honorable A. H. The Honorable A. H. The state of the Honorable A. H. The Hono

clusters much of sentiment. The presentation was made by Thomas Gant, chairment of the Republican County Committee of Randolph County, who was a personal friend of the senior Governor Yates. So much did the presentation affect the feelings of Mr. Gant that before concluding his little speech he wept like a child. In presenting the token be sald:

Thold in my hand this stick of timber at used by the first Governor of Illinois—Governor Bond—as a rule. It was given to Ser ator Kane by Governor Bond, and by his ator Kane by Governor Bond.

PUBLIC EXECUTIONS

Two Boxer Leaders Are Beheaded

While the Allied Troops

Look On.

Two Committed Suicide and Three

Had Been Killed Before Sen-

tence Was Passed on

Them.

Pekin, Feb. 26.-Chih-Siu, former Ger

notorious Hau Tung, were publicly bet

place was guarded by French, German

Chih Siu met his fate in a dign

ed to-day.

Japanese infantry.

cretary, and Hsu Cheng Yu, son of the

The street in which the execution took

American troops.

The condemned officials were taken to the

ground in carts, escorted by a company of

fearlessly. Hsu Cheng Yu was stupeded with opium. They were both dressed in their Chinese official costumes, without the insignia of their rank.

With the execution of two guilty Chie

eaders in Pekin to-day and the reported

Chan Shu Chiao, effect is at last being given to the decrees of punishment over

which the foreign envoys and the imperial

court spent so many weeks of discussion and which seemed at one time certain to

the execution of twelve men who were so-

counted the moving spirits in the Boxer outbreaks. Three of these were dead, but

The foreign envoys originally dema

the Chinese were called upon to put grace upon them by formal decrees death, and by degrading their desce ants. In the final decree, as accepted

the envoys, these punishments awarded, only three escaping the ext

Prince Chwang—Compulsory suicide Prince Tuan—Disgrace and exile. Duke Lan—Disgrace and exile. Chih Sui—Deapitation. (Executed

Ying Lien-Compulsory suicide. (R.

Tung Fu-Hamma aconors and exile. Ying Ning-Decapitation (already deed) Hau Tung-Decapitation (already deed) Kang Yi-Decapitation (already deed)

Decide Upon Convention Date

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mulberry Grove, Ill., Feb. 26.—The Descratic Central Committee have set Ma 16 as the date for holding the towns nominating convention. There is a handle the committee of candidates for the variable of candidates.

ported a suicide yesterday.)
Yu Hsien—Decapitation.
Tung Fu-Hsiang—Degradation,

Chan Shu Chiao—Co

SEVEN ARE DEAD SO

BEGIN IN PEKIN

Constitution, to wit:

"Resolved. That article 9 of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto an advantage of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto an advantage of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto an advantage of the Constitution to wit:

ator Kane by Governor Bond, and by him to his son, John K. Kane. John K. K

and while lying on a cot in the hospital, the war Governor of Illinois came by, shook hands with him and gave him words of encouragement that he yet remembers.

"After you were nominated and elected he said, 'My boys won't care for that old stick, but perhaps Governor Yates will. Present it to him, Give it to Governor Yates, and tell him that I hope that his administration may be as successful as that administration may be as successful as that of his father, and that he may hold that warm place in the hearts of the people of Illinois that the war Governor held in his lifetime."

lifetime."

The House Committee on Appropriations acted favorably on the bill appropriating \$250 for a monument to the memory of John Rector in Saline County, with an amendment that the money should not be paid until satisfactory evidence is shown that the citizens have subscribed \$250 to add to that sevents.

MRS. M'KINLEY'S GCWN.

Costume for the Inaugural Ball Is a Gorgeous Creation.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Feb. 26. - Mrs. McKinler's gown for the inaugural ball is of white satin, embroidered with Roman pearls and rhinestones and trimmed with exquisite rose point lace. The skirt, which is made with an immense train, is trimmed with two broad bands of the lace. These start at broad bands of the lace. These start at the waist and disappear in the soft drapery of satin which forms a deep flounce around the train. This flounce describes the most graceful lines—garlands, as it were, caught up here and there with little satin chour A ruche made of gathered tucked chiffed makes a soft edge to the train, which has ruffle after ruffle, narrow, bias, pincked-out affairs of white taffeta, laid one close to

the other on its silk lining. Between the bands of lace down the freut is seen a petticoat of white satin, scal at the bottom, where a frill of white chiffon. trimmed with braids of satin ribbon, apcears between the scallops. This pettle is embroidered with pearls in the design of bunches of grapes and their leaves, on which bunches of grapes and their leaves on which tiny rhinestones suggest drops of dew. The bodice, which is high-necked, has open feather-stitched seams. It has a deep collar of point lace in the back, which, crossing the shoulders, extends half-way down the front on both sides, forming a charming frame, as it were, for a vest of pleated white chiffon, overlaid with pearls, carrying out the design of the skirt. Some of the leaves have strayed onto the standing collar of lace. The belt of pearl embroidery is high in the back and narrows into a small band of leaves in front. The sieeves are embroidered with pearls from the wrist to the shoulders, below which two rows of the open feather-stitching appear. They start from the embroidery and pass under the arms.

Pana, Ill., Feb. & Arthur McTagand Miss Hattle Morgan, prominent yo people, were married to-day. The groot the son of the Hogorable A. H. Taga They will reside here.

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